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I. Proposed provisional agenda for the substantive session of 2009 of the Council and preliminary list of documents for each agenda item

1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

Documentation

Annotated provisional agenda for the substantive session of 2009 (E/2009/100)

Status of documentation for the substantive session of 2009 (E/2009/L.__)

2. High-level segment

A. High-level policy dialogue with international financial and trade institutions

Documentation

World Economic and Social Survey, 2009: overview (E/2009/50) (General Assembly resolutions 118 (II) and 52/180 and Council resolution 1983/50)

World economic situation and prospects, as of mid-2009

B. Thematic discussion on the theme "Current global and national trends and their impact on social development, including public health"

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the theme of the thematic discussion (General Assembly resolution 61/16, para. 2 (c), and Council decision 2008/257)

Relevant part of the report of the Committee for Development Policy on its eleventh session, 9-13 March 2009 (E/2009/33, Supplement No. 13) (Council resolutions 1079 (XXXIX) and 1998/46)

Relevant part of the report of the Secretary-General on regional cooperation (Council decision 2004/323)

C. Annual ministerial review on the theme "Implementing the internationally agreed goals and commitments in regard to global public health"

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the theme of the annual ministerial review (General Assembly resolution 61/16, para. 10, and Council decision 2007/272)

Operational activities of the United Nations for international development cooperation segment

3. Operational activities of the United Nations for international development cooperation

(a) Follow-up to policy recommendations of the General Assembly and the Council

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on comprehensive statistical analysis of the financing of operational activities for development of the United Nations system for 2007 (General Assembly resolutions 35/81, 59/250, 62/208 and 63/232)[1]

Note by the Secretary-General: review of trends and perspectives in funding for development cooperation (General Assembly resolution 59/250, para. 23)

Report of the Secretary-General on results achieved and measures and processes implemented in follow-up to General Assembly resolution 62/208 on the triennial comprehensive policy review (General Assembly resolution 62/208, para. 142, and Assembly resolution 63/232, and Council resolution 2008/2)

Report of the Secretary-General on the functioning of the resident coordinator system, including costs and benefits (General Assembly resolution 62/208, para. 93, and Council resolution 2008/2)

Report of the Secretary-General on the human resources challenges within the United Nations development system at the country level and recommendations for improvements (General Assembly resolution 62/208, para. 125, and Council resolution 2008/2)

Report of the Secretary-General on actions taken by the executive boards and governing bodies of the United Nations funds, programmes and specialized agencies in the area of simplification and harmonization of the United Nations development system (General Assembly resolution 62/208, para. 112, and Council resolution 2008/2)

Conference room paper: Consolidated list of issues related to the coordination of operational activities (Council resolution 1998/27)

(b) Reports of the Executive Boards of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund, the United Nations Children's Fund and the World Food Programme

Documentation

Reports of the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund on its second regular session of 2008 and its first regular session and annual session of 2009 (E/2008/35, Supplement No. 15, and DP/2009/___ and ___) (General Assembly resolution 48/162, annex, and Assembly resolution 62/208 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Annual report of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme and the Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund (E/2009/5)

[1] Submitted to the General Assembly through the Council.

(General Assembly resolution 48/162, annex, and Assembly resolution 62/208 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Reports of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund on its second regular session of 2008 (E/2008/34/Rev.1, Supplement No. 14) and its first regular session and annual session of 2009 (General Assembly resolution 48/162, annex, and Assembly resolution 62/208 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Annual report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Children's Fund (General Assembly resolutions 48/162, annex, and Assembly resolution 62/208 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Report of the Executive Board of the World Food Programme on its 2008 sessions (E/2009/36, Supplement No. 16) (General Assembly resolutions 48/162, annex, and Assembly resolution 62/208 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Annual report of the Executive Director of the World Food Programme for 2008 (E/2009/14) (General Assembly resolutions 50/8 and 62/208 and Council resolution 1995/51)

(c) South-South cooperation for development

Documentation

Report of the High-level Committee on South-South Cooperation on its sixteenth session (General Assembly resolution 33/134)[1]

Coordination segment

4. The role of the United Nations system in implementing the ministerial declaration of the high-level segment of the substantive session of 2008 of the Economic and Social Council

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the role of the United Nations system in implementing the ministerial declaration of the substantive session of 2008 of the Economic and Social Council (Council resolution 2008/29)

Updated report of the Secretary-General on the role of the Economic and Social Council in the integrated and coordinated implementation of the outcomes of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits, in the light of relevant General Assembly resolutions,[2] including resolution 61/16 (Council resolution 2008/29) (see also under items 6, 8, 13 and 14)

[2] 50/227, 52/12 B, 57/270 B and 60/265.

Humanitarian affairs segment

5. Special economic, humanitarian and disaster relief assistance

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the theme (to be decided) (General Assembly resolution 52/12 B and Council decision 1999/208)

Report of the Secretary-General on the progress made in the strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations (Council resolution 2008/36)[1]

General segment

6. Implementation of and follow-up to major international United Nations conferences and summits

Updated report of the Secretary-General on the role of the Economic and Social Council in the integrated and coordinated implementation of the outcomes of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits, in the light of relevant General Assembly resolutions,[2] including resolution 61/16 (Council resolution 2008/29) (see also under items 4, 8, 13 and 14)

(a) Follow-up to the International Conference on Financing for Development

Documentation

Summary by the President of the Council of the special high-level meeting of the Economic and Social Council with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (27 April 2009) (General Assembly resolution 58/230)[1]

(b) Review and coordination of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010

Documentation

Annual progress report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010 (General Assembly resolution 63/227 and Council resolution 2008/37)[1]

7. Coordination, programme and other questions

(a) Reports of coordination bodies

Documentation

Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on its forty-ninth session (Council resolution 2008 (LX))

Annual overview report of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination for 2008/09 (Council decision 2001/321)

(b) Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2010-2011

Documentation

Relevant sections of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2010-2011 (General Assembly resolution 58/269 and Council resolution 1988/77)

(c) International cooperation in the field of informatics

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the action taken in follow-up in respect of the need to harmonize and improve United Nations informatics systems for optimal utilization and accessibility by all States, including the findings of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics and an assessment of its work and mandate (Council resolution 2008/6)

(d) Long-term programme of support for Haiti

Documentation

Report of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Haiti (Council resolution 2008/10)

(e) Mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system (General Assembly resolution 63/159 and Council resolution 2008/34)

(f) Ad hoc advisory groups on African countries emerging from conflict

Documentation

No request for advance documentation

(g) Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS)

Documentation

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Executive Director of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS) (Council resolution 2007/32)

(h) Calendar of conferences and meetings in the economic, social and related fields

Documentation

Draft calendar of conferences and meetings in the economic, social and related fields for 2010 and 2011 (Council decision 52 (LVII))

8. Implementation of General Assembly resolutions 50/227, 52/12 B, 57/270 B and 60/265

Documentation

Updated report of the Secretary-General on the role of the Economic and Social Council in the integrated and coordinated implementation of the outcomes of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits, in the light of relevant General Assembly resolutions,[2] including resolution 61/16 (Council resolution 2008/29) (see also under items 4, 6, 13 and 14)

9. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on assistance to the Palestinian people (General Assembly resolution 63/140 and Council resolution 2100 (LXIII))[1]

Report of the President of the Council on consultations held with the Chairman of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples (Council resolution 2008/15)

Report of the Secretary-General on support to Non-Self-Governing Territories by the specialized agencies and international institutions associated with the United Nations (Council resolution 2008/15)

10. Regional cooperation

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on regional cooperation (E/2009/15 and addenda) (Council decision 1979/1)

The economic situation in the Economic Commission for Europe region: Europe, North America and the Commonwealth of Independent States in 2008-2009 (E/2009/16)

Overview of the economic and social conditions in Africa, 2009 (E/2009/17)

Summary of the *Economic and Social Survey of Asia and the Pacific, 2009* (E/2009/18)

Latin America and the Caribbean: economic situation and outlook, 2009-2010 (E/2009/19)

Summary of the survey of economic and social developments in the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia region, 2008-2009 (E/2009/20)

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Executive Secretaries of the Economic Commission for Africa and the Economic Commission for Europe on the project for a Europe-Africa permanent link through the Strait of Gibraltar (E/2009/21) (Council resolution 2007/16)

11. Economic and social repercussions of the Israeli occupation on the living conditions of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the economic and social repercussions of the Israeli occupation on the living conditions of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan[1] (Council resolution 2008/31)

12. Non-governmental organizations

Documentation

Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its 2009 regular session, 19-28 January 2009 (E/2009/32 (Part I)) (Council resolutions 3 (II) and 1996/31 and Council decisions 1995/304 and 2008/228)

Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its resumed 2009 session, 18-27 May 2009 (E/2009/32 (Part II)) (Council resolutions 3 (II) and 1996/31 and Council decisions 1995/304 and 2008/228)

13. Economic and environmental questions

Documentation

Updated report of the Secretary-General on the role of the Economic and Social Council in the integrated and coordinated implementation of the outcomes of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits, in the light of relevant General Assembly resolutions,[2] including resolution 61/16 (Council resolution 2008/29) (see also under items 4, 6, 8 and 14)

(a) Sustainable development

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Sustainable Development on its seventeenth session, 4-15 May 2009 (E/2009/29, Supplement No. 9) (Council decisions 1993/207 and 2008/237)

Report of the Committee for Development Policy on its eleventh session, 9-13 March 2009 (E/2009/33, Supplement No. 13) (Council resolutions 1079 (XXXIX) and 1998/46)

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the work of the United Nations Public-Private Alliance for Rural Development (Council resolution 2007/36)

(b) Science and technology for development

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development on its twelfth session, 25-29 May 2009 (E/2009/31, Supplement No. 11) (General Assembly resolution 46/235, annex, and Assembly resolution 56/182)

(c) Statistics

Documentation

Report of the Statistical Commission on its fortieth session, 24-27 February 2009 (E/2009/24, Supplement No. 4) (Council resolutions 8 (I), 8 (II) and 1566 (L) and Council decision 2008/238)

(d) Human settlements

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the coordinated implementation of the Habitat Agenda (Council decision 2008/239)[1]

Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) on its twenty-second session, 30 March-3 April 2009 (General Assembly resolution 56/206)[1]

(e) Environment

Documentation

Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its twenty-fifth session, 16-20 February 2009 (General Assembly resolutions 2997 (XXVII), 53/242 and 63/220)[1]

(f) Population and development

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Population and Development on its forty-second session, 30 March-3 April 2009 (E/2009/25, Supplement No. 5) (General Assembly resolution 49/128 and Council decision 2008/240)

(g) Public administration and development

Documentation

Report of the Committee of Experts on Public Administration on its eighth session, 30 March-3 April 2009 (E/2009/44, Supplement No. 24) (Council decision 2008/254)

(h) International cooperation in tax matters

Documentation

Report of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters on its fourth session, 20-24 October 2008 (E/2008/45, Supplement No. 25) (Council resolution 2008/16)

(i) United Nations Forum on Forests

Documentation

Report of the United Nations Forum on Forests on its eighth session, 20 April-1 May 2009 (E/2009/42, Supplement No. 22) (Council resolution 2007/274)

(j) Assistance to third States affected by the application of sanctions

Documentation

No request for advance documentation

(k) Cartography

Documentation

Report of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names on the work of its twenty-fifth session, Nairobi, 5-12 May 2009 (Council resolutions 715 A (XXVII) and 1314 (XLIV))

Report of the Ninth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for the Americas, New York, 10-14 August 2009 (Council resolutions 715 A (XXVII) and 1314 (XLIV))

Report of the Eighteenth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for Asia and the Pacific, Bangkok, 26-30 October 2009 (Council resolutions 715 A (XXVII) and 1314 (XLIV))

(l) Women and development

Documentation

Relevant sections of the report of the Commission on the Status of Women on its fifty-third session, 2-13 March 2009 (E/2009/27, Supplement No. 7) (General Assembly resolution 42/178 and Council resolution 1987/24)

(m) Transport of dangerous goods

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (Council resolution 2007/6)

14. Social and human rights questions

Documentation

Updated report of the Secretary-General on the role of the Economic and Social Council in the integrated and coordinated implementation of the outcomes of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits, in the light of relevant General Assembly resolutions,[2] including resolution 61/16 (Council resolution 2008/29) (see also under items 4, 6, 8, and 13)

(a) Advancement of women

Documentation

Report of the Commission on the Status of Women on its fifty-third session, 2-13 March 2009 (Council resolutions 11 (II) and 1147 (XLI) and Council decision 2008/236)

Report of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (article 21 of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women)[1]

Report of the Executive Board of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (Council resolution 1998 (LX))

(b) Social development

Documentation

Report of the Commission for Social Development on its forty-seventh session, 4-13 February 2009 (E/2009/26, Supplement No. 6) (Council resolutions 10 (III) and 1996/7 and Council decision 2008/244)

(c) Crime prevention and criminal justice

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice on its eighteenth session, Vienna, 15-24 April 2009 (E/2009/30, Supplement No. 10) (Council resolution 1992/1 and Council decision 2008/245)

(d) Narcotic drugs

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs on its fifty-second session, Vienna, 11-20 March 2009 (E/2009/28, Supplement No. 8) (Council resolution 9 (I) and Council decision 2008/247)

Report of the International Narcotics Control Board for 2008 (article 15 of the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961; article 18 of the Convention on Psychotropic Substances, 1971; and article 23 of the 1988 United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances)

(e) United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

Documentation

Oral report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (General Assembly resolution 58/153)

(f) Comprehensive implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action

Documentation

No request for advance documentation

(g) Human rights

Documentation

Report of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights on its fortieth and forty-first sessions, Geneva, 28 April-16 May 2008, and 3-21 November 2008 (E/2009/22, Supplement No. 2) (Council resolutions 1988 (LX) and 1985/17)

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (General Assembly resolution 48/141)[1]

Report of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on violence against children (General Assembly resolution 62/141, sect. III)[1]

(h) Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

Documentation

Report of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues on its eighth session, 18-29 May 2009 (E/2009/43, Supplement No. 23) (Council resolution 2000/22 and Council decisions 2008/250 and 2008/251)

15. United Nations research and training institutes

Documentation

Report of the Director of the United Nations System Staff College in Turin, Italy (General Assembly resolution 60/214)

Report of the Rector of the United Nations University (General Assembly resolution 61/216)

Report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (General Assembly resolution 62/210)

II. Questions for inclusion in the programme of work of the Council for 2010 and preliminary list of documents for each agenda item[3]

Substantive session of 2010

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

Documentation

Annotated provisional agenda for the substantive session of 2010

Status of documentation for the substantive session of 2010

A. High-level segment

High-level policy dialogue with international financial and trade institutions

Documentation

World Economic and Social Survey, 2010 (General Assembly resolutions 118 (II) and 52/180 and Council resolution 1983/50)

World Economic Situation and Prospects

[3] The list of questions will be further revised in the light of the Council's deliberations on the proposed programme of work for 2009.

Thematic discussion on the theme *(to be decided)*

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the theme (General Assembly resolution 61/16, para. 2 (c))

Relevant part of the report of the Committee for Development Policy on its twelfth session (Council resolutions 1079 (XXXIX) and 1998/46)

Relevant part of the report of the Secretary-General on regional cooperation (Council decision 2004/323)

Annual ministerial review on the theme "Implementing the internationally agreed goals and commitments in regard to gender equality and empowerment of women"

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on implementing the internationally agreed goals and commitments in regard to gender equality and empowerment of women (General Assembly resolution 61/16, para. 10, and Council decision 2008/258)

Development Cooperation Forum

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on trends and progress in international development cooperation (General Assembly resolution 61/16, paras. 6 and 7)

B. Operational activities of the United Nations for international development cooperation segment

Operational activities of the United Nations for international development cooperation

Follow-up to policy recommendations of the General Assembly and the Council

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on results achieved and measures and processes implemented in follow-up to General Assembly resolution 62/208 (General Assembly resolution 62/208 and Council resolution 2008/2)

Report of the Secretary-General on the functioning of the resident coordinator system, including costs and benefits (General Assembly resolution 62/208 and Council resolution 2008/2)

Report of the Secretary-General on the triennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities of the United Nations development system

Report of the Secretary-General on comprehensive statistical analysis of the financing of operational activities for development of the United Nations system for 2008 (General Assembly resolutions 35/81, 59/250, 62/208 and 63/232)

Report of the Secretary-General on actions taken by the executive boards and governing bodies of the United Nations funds, programmes and specialized agencies

in the area of simplification and harmonization of the United Nations development system (General Assembly resolution 62/208 and Council resolution 2008/2)

Conference room paper: Consolidated list of issues related to the coordination of operational activities (Council resolution 1998/27)

Reports of the Executive Boards of the United Nations Development Programme/ United Nations Population Fund, the United Nations Children's Fund and the World Food Programme

Documentation

Reports of the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund on its second regular session of 2009 and its first regular session and annual session of 2010 (General Assembly resolution 48/162, annex, and Assembly resolution 62/208 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Annual report of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme and the Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund (General Assembly resolution 48/162, annex, and Assembly resolution 62/208 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Reports of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund on its second regular session of 2009 and its first regular session and annual session of 2010 (General Assembly resolution 48/162, annex, and Assembly resolution 62/208 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Annual report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Children's Fund (General Assembly resolution 48/162, annex, and Assembly resolution 62/208 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Report of the Executive Board of the World Food Programme on its 2009 sessions (General Assembly resolution 48/162, annex, and Assembly resolution 62/208 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Annual report of the Executive Director of the World Food Programme for 2009 (General Assembly resolutions 50/8 and 62/208 and Council resolution 1995/51)

C. Coordination segment

Coordination of the policies and activities of the specialized agencies and other bodies of the United Nations system related to the following themes

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the theme of the ministerial declaration of the substantive session of 2009 of the Economic and Social Council on "Implementing the internationally agreed goals and commitments in regard to global public health" (Council resolution 2007/272)

D. Humanitarian affairs segment

Special economic, humanitarian and disaster relief assistance

[Theme(s) to be selected (General Assembly resolution 52/12 B and Council decision 1999/208)]

E. General segment

Implementation of and follow-up to the major United Nations conferences and summits

Documentation

Updated report of the Secretary-General on the role of the Economic and Social Council in the integrated and coordinated implementation of the outcomes of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits, in the light of relevant General Assembly resolutions,[2] including resolution 61/16

Follow-up to the International Conference on Financing for Development

Documentation

Summary by the President of the Council of the special high-level meeting of the Economic and Social Council with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (General Assembly resolution 58/230)[1]

Review and coordination of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010

Documentation

Annual progress report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010 (General Assembly resolution 61/1 and Council decision 2001/320)[1]

Coordination, programme and other questions

Reports of coordination bodies

Documentation

Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on its fiftieth session (Council resolution 2008 (LX))

Annual overview report of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination for 2009/10 (Council decision 2001/321)

Proposed strategic framework for the period 2010-2011

Documentation

Relevant sections of the proposed strategic framework for the biennium 2010-2011 (General Assembly resolution 58/269)

Mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system

Ad hoc advisory groups on African countries emerging from conflict

Tobacco or health

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Ad Hoc Inter-Agency Task Force on Tobacco Control (Council decision 2008/232)

Report of the Secretary-General on smoke-free United Nations premises (Council decision 2008/231)

Implementation of General Assembly resolutions 50/227, 52/12 B, 57/270 B and 60/265

Updated report of the Secretary-General on the role of the Economic and Social Council in the integrated and coordinated implementation of the outcomes of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits, in the light of relevant General Assembly resolutions,[2] including resolution 61/16

Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on assistance to the Palestinian people (General Assembly resolution 57/147 and Council resolution 2100 (LXIII))[1]

Report of the President of the Council on consultations held with the Chairman of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples (Council resolution 2003/51)

Report of the Secretary-General on support to Non-Self-Governing Territories by the specialized agencies and international institutions associated with the United Nations (Council resolution 2003/51)

Regional cooperation

[Theme(s) to be selected]

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on regional cooperation (Council decision 1979/1)

Summaries of the surveys of economic conditions in the five regions prepared by the regional commissions (Council resolution 1724 (LIII))

Economic and social repercussions of the Israeli occupation on the living conditions of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the economic and social repercussions of the Israeli occupation on the living conditions of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan[1]

Non-governmental organizations

Documentation

Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations (Council resolutions 3 (II) and 1996/31 and Council decision 1995/304)

Economic and environmental questions

Documentation

Updated report of the Secretary-General on the role of the Economic and Social Council in the integrated and coordinated implementation of the outcomes of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits, in the light of relevant General Assembly resolutions,[2] including resolution 61/16

Sustainable development

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Sustainable Development on its eighteenth session (Council decision 1993/207)

Report of the Committee for Development Policy on its twelfth session (Council resolution 1079 (XXXIX))

Science and technology for development

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development on its thirteenth session (General Assembly resolution 46/235, annex)

Statistics

Documentation

Report of the Statistical Commission on its forty-first session (Council resolutions 1768 (LIV) and 1999/8)

Human settlements

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the coordinated implementation of the Habitat Agenda[1]

Environment

Documentation

Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its eleventh special session (General Assembly resolutions 2997 (XXVII) and 53/242)[1]

Report of the United Nations Environment Programme on the chemicals volume of the Consolidated List of Products Whose Consumption and/or Sale have been Banned, Withdrawn, Severely Restricted or Not Approved by Governments (Council resolution 2008/13)

Report of the World Health Organization on the pharmaceuticals volume of the Consolidated List of Products Whose Consumption and/or Sale have been Banned, Withdrawn, Severely Restricted or Not Approved by Governments (Council resolution 2008/13)

Population and development

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Population and Development on its forty-third session (General Assembly resolution 49/128 and Council decision 1995/209)

Public administration and development

Documentation

Report of the Committee of Experts on Public Administration on its ninth session (Council resolutions 2001/45 and 2003/60)

International cooperation in tax matters

Documentation

Report of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters on its fifth session (Council resolution 2004/69)

Assistance to third States affected by the application of sanctions

Documentation

No request for advance documentation

Cartography

Documentation

Report of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names on the work of its twenty-sixth session (Council resolutions 715 A (XXVII) and 1314 (XLIV))

Women and development

Documentation

Relevant sections of the report of the Commission on the Status of Women on its fifty-fourth session (General Assembly resolution 42/178 and Council resolution 1987/24)

Social and human rights questions

Advancement of women

Documentation

Report of the Commission on the Status of Women on its fifty-fourth session (Council resolutions 11 (II) and 1147 (XLI))

Report of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (article 21 of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women)[1]

Report of the Executive Board of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (Council resolution 1998 (LX))

Social development

Documentation

Report of the Commission for Social Development on its forty-eighth session (Council resolutions 10 (III) and 1996/7)

Crime prevention and criminal justice

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice on its nineteenth session (Council resolution 1992/1)

Report of the Secretary-General on capital punishment and implementation of the safeguards guaranteeing protection of the rights of those facing the death penalty (Council resolution 1745 (LIV))

Narcotic drugs

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs on its fifty-third session (Council resolution 9 (I))

Report of the International Narcotics Control Board for 2009 (article 15 of the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961; article 18 of the Convention on Psychotropic Substances, 1971; and article 23 of the 1988 United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances)

United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

Documentation

Oral report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (General Assembly resolution 58/153)

Comprehensive implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action

Documentation

No request for advance documentation

Human rights

Documentation

Report of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights on its forty-second and forty-third sessions (Council resolutions 1988 (LX) and 1985/17)

Report of the Committee on the Rights of the Child (General Assembly resolution 44/25, annex, article 44, para. 5)[1]

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (General Assembly resolution 48/141)[1]

Report of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on violence against children (General Assembly resolution 62/141)[1]

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

Documentation

Report of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues on its ninth session (Council resolution 2000/22)

Genetic privacy and non-discrimination

Documentation

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Provisional agenda

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Annotations

1. Election of the Bureau

Rule 18 of the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council provides that, each year at the commencement of its first meeting, the Council shall elect a President and four Vice-Presidents from among the representatives of its members. The membership of the Council in 2009 is given in the annex below. According to the equitable geographical rotation of the office of President among the regional groups, the President for 2009 should be the representative of a member of the Western European and Other States group. The four Vice-Presidents of the Council shall be elected on the basis of equitable geographical distribution from the regional groups, excluding that to which the President belongs.

The President and Vice-Presidents shall constitute the Bureau. The Council, upon the recommendation of the President, shall decide on the special responsibilities of each of the Vice-Presidents.

Pursuant to Council resolution 1988/77, a meeting of the Council will be held on 15 January 2009 for the election of the Bureau.

2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

Rule 13 of the rules of procedure of the Council provides that, at the beginning of each session, after the election of the Bureau when required under rule 18, the Council shall adopt the agenda for the session.

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The present provisional agenda has been prepared in conformity with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 48/162 and of other relevant legislative decisions, including, in particular, the provisions of Assembly resolutions 50/227 and 61/16.

3. Basic programme of work of the Council

In accordance with rule 8 of the rules of procedure of the Council, the Council shall draw up, at its organizational session, with the assistance of the Secretary-General, its basic programme of work for the year.

Pursuant to Council resolution 1988/77 on the revitalization of the Council, the President, prior to the organizational session, and with the cooperation of the other members of the Bureau, will arrange for consultations with members of the Council on the draft programme of work and provisional agenda prepared by the Secretary-General and make proposals thereon for consideration by the Council.

The Council will have before it the proposed basic programme of work of the Council for 2009 and 2010 (E/2009/1) prepared by the Secretariat in accordance with the relevant decisions of the Council and of the General Assembly.

Pursuant to Council decision 1982/174 on the rationalization of the work of the Council, the Council decided to identify, at its annual organizational session, a subject relating to interregional cooperation, of common interest to all regions, for detailed consideration under the agenda item on regional cooperation, and to request the executive secretaries of the regional commissions to submit their joint recommendations in that regard to the Council at its annual organizational session.

The Council's attention is drawn to General Assembly resolution 52/12 B, by which the Assembly decided to create a humanitarian affairs segment of the Council. In accordance with Council decision 1999/208, the Council, at its organizational session, may wish to select a theme for the humanitarian affairs segment of its substantive session of 2009.

Pursuant to Council decision 2006/206 on adapting the work of the Economic and Social Council, the President of the Council will convene consultations of the Council, on an as available basis, to adapt its organization of work, agenda and current methods of work in pursuance of paragraphs 155 and 156 of the 2005 World Summit Outcome and the related provisions of General Assembly resolution 61/16.

In its decision 2007/272, the Council decided that the theme of the high-level segment of its substantive session of 2009 would be "Implementing the internationally agreed goals and commitments in regard to global public health".

In its decision 2008/257, the Council decided that the theme of the thematic discussion of its substantive session of 2009 would be "Current global and national trends and their impact on social development, including public health".

In its resolution 2008/29, the Council decided that the coordination segment of its substantive session of 2009 would be devoted to the theme of the 2008 ministerial declaration on implementing the internationally agreed goals and commitments in regard to sustainable development.

Documentation

Proposed basic programme of work of the Council for 2009 and 2010 (E/2009/1)

4. Elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments

The Council will hold elections to fill vacancies in its subsidiary bodies.

Documentation

Addendum to the provisional agenda of the organizational session for 2009 (E/2009/2/Add.1)[1]

[1] To be issued.

Annex

Members of the Economic and Social Council for 2009

	Term expires on 31 December
Algeria	2009
Barbados	2009
Belarus	2009
Bolivia	2009
Brazil	2010
Cameroon	2010
Canada	2009
Cape Verde	2009
China	2010
Congo	2010
Côte d'Ivoire	2011
El Salvador	2009
Estonia	2011
France	2011
Germany	2011
Greece	2011
Guatemala	2011
Guinea-Bissau	2011
India	2011
Indonesia	2009
Iraq	2009
Japan	2011
Kazakhstan	2009
Liechtenstein	2011
Luxembourg	2009
Malawi	2009
Malaysia	2010
Mauritius	2011
Morocco	2011

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Mozambique	2010
Namibia	2011
Netherlands	2009
New Zealand	2010
Niger	2010
Norway	2010
Pakistan	2010
Peru	2011
Philippines	2009
Poland	2010
Portugal	2011
Republic of Korea	2010
Republic of Moldova	2010
Romania	2009
Russian Federation	2010
Saint Kitts and Nevis	2011
Saint Lucia	2010
Saudi Arabia	2011
Somalia	2009
Sudan	2009
Sweden	2010
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	2010
United States of America	2009
Uruguay	2010
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	2011